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A MOTHER'S POWER—By J. B. JOHNSON

The mind is not its own instructor, but the
result of tuition; and when I look back along
the line of many measured years, all
marked by the changes of life's hopes and dis-
appointments, I see again the well remembered
place where a fond mother's face was wont
to brighten the spot which it once occupied.
Memory is still clear and true in its recollec-
tions of that face; and it was as pure in ex-
pression as it was benevolent in appearance.
She was a lovely woman, and her character was
the sum of those attributes that belong to ex-
alted human nature. When one looked upon
her, the eye was won by a visible superiority
that needed no effort to reveal an excellence of
womanly attractiveness that called out no af-
fection to war it. Her loveliness consisted
in a combination of qualities which were as ap-
parent as they were unaffected; and each ef-
fort of her grace was the quiet showing of her
modest nature. Her physical appearance was
as impressive as her mind was intelligent, and
she was all an enlightened judgment could an-
ticipate in the dear association of wife and
mother. As a wife, she was a paragon of
love, honor and obedience to her husband;
and as a mother, she was tender in her duty,
considerate in her commands, and devoted in
her affection. She was blessed with a pre-
cious infant boy, and as the mind of her
child became more and more capable of
moral culture, her constant anxiety was
to impress his growing thoughts with the
images of rectitude and honor.
She realized with the keenest solicitude
that she had the innocent mind of her dear
boy before her with its powers unmarked by a
line of evil, and unblurred by an unclean
association, and she felt that the good or evil
of his future life was entrusted to her charge,
for she knew that she, of all others, had the
high privilege of studying her boy's mind, and
of knowing the good lessons it was capable of
receiving. She well availed herself of the
prerogative of imbuings his budding intellect
with impressions of virtue and wisdom ere the
point of evil or the stain of vice had time to
mar it. She selected the ten commandments
as the book of her teaching, and with them
made each part of his unspotted mind ex-
press a principle that was to last through youth
and manhood. She inculcated piety by early
teaching the insufficiency of human power with-
out the blessing of divine grace; and her greatest
care was, that she was not only to educate a
virtuous being for the society of men, but to
make him worthy of the Kingdom of Heaven;
and as he grew she ever told him that the
good which she pictured, and the evil she
taught him to fear, must one day rebound to
his merit on earth and his reward hereafter.
She told him that the precepts of purity and
virtue were all the heritage she had to leave
him, and that earth's ambition, wealth and
grandeur, were not things to be worshipped,
but held as secondary to the true duty and
real objects of a pure and useful life; and she
moulded her boy's mind as the potter forms his
plastic material into useful ware. She early in-
structed him to pray; and when his boyish
amusements were over for the day, she would
bid him kneel at her lap and repeat an easy
and sincere prayer, and before kissing him
good night, she always impressed upon his
attention the reflection that with every tempta-
tion to do evil, there is always presented a
mode of escape. Thus this good and devoted
mother exercised her power over the mind of
her boy, and just as he began to appreciate her
worth and ere she had time to see the ripening
of the true and pious lessons which she had
taught him, she sank to that silence which no
thought nor sound, nor voice disturbs. He
was left to the guidance of the precepts that
she had inculcated and to the prayers she had
given him, and he grew to virtuous and hon-
orable manhood. He never forgot to obey the
injunctions of the Commandments and to fear
the wiles of sin; and whether in prosperity or
adversity, in joy or in grief, he loved to look
up from the transitory things of earth to God
to thank him for his goodness, or to beseech
his mercy, remembering always that to him
had been vouchsafed a food and faithful mother
who shrank not from the maternal guardianship
of her child, and made him the man he was.

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.
OFFICE W. C. V. M. & G. S. R. R. CO.
Alexandria, Va., Oct. 23, 1875.
NOTICE—The Annual Meeting of the Stock-
holders of the WASHINGTON CITY, VIR-
GINIA MIDLAND & GREAT SOUTHERN
RAILROAD COMPANY will be held at Sun-
merfield Hall, in DAAVILLE, Virginia, on
THURSDAY, the 25th prox., at 12 o'clock m.
By order of the Directors:
L. W. REID, Secretary.

The transfer book will be closed from the 10th
proximo until the adjournment of the above
meeting. oct 23-w4w
[Papers along the line of the road having con-
tracts with the company will please publish the
above.]

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will take place on WEDNESDAY, the tenth
day of November next, at the Custom House, in
Alexandria, at 10 o'clock a. m.
oct 22-td
P. H. TROTTER, President.

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the ALEXANDRIA AND FREDERICKS-
BURG RAILWAY COMPANY will be held at
the office of Francis L. Smith, esq., corner
Wolfe and St. Asaph streets, Alexandria, Va.,
TUESDAY, November 9, 1875, at 10 o'clock a. m.
Election for President and Directors same
day and place.
oct 5-wtd
ALBERT LEWSON, Sec'y.

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The regular annual meeting of the stockhold-
ers of the ALEXANDRIA AND WASHING-
TON RAILROAD COMPANY will be held at
the office of the Company, in Alexandria,
Va., corner of King and St. Asaph sts., at 12
o'clock m., on MONDAY, October 25th, A. D.
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STOVES AND TINWARE.
PREPARE FOR THE WINTER.
ENOCH GRIMES,
No. 46 King street, bet. Fairfax and Lee sts.,
STOVES AND TINWARE,
OF EVERY DESCRIPTION.
A full line of Fire Place Stoves, Cooking and
Heating Stoves, of all kinds and prices. House-
keepers and all buyers will do well to look at
the stock. A considerable reduction in prices
have been made. oct 11-1m

BOARDING.
MRS. WM. BAKER, southeast corner of
Duke and Pitt streets, first accommodation
SIX or EIGHT BOARDERS with a comfort-
able home. Pleasant rooms, north or south, on
reasonable terms. oct 8-2w

BUILDING MATERIAL.
BRICK FOR SALE.
We are prepared to deliver in any part of the
city or on board cars or vessels
PRESS, FRONT, PAVING, RED, ARCH
PRESS, and PLANK ALMON BRICK,
of the best quality.
Orders left with the Chinese Tea Co., 11 North
Royal street, or at the yard, on Washington st.,
near the Catholic Cemetery, will receive prompt
attention.
aug 6-6m
O'NEAL & CORBETT.

JOHN T. CREIGHTON & SON,
Wholesale and Retail Dealers in
Hardware, Cutlery, Horse Shoes
Iron, Plough Castings, Nail Rods, Axle
Greases, Wagon Materials, House-
keepers' Goods, &c., &c.
NO. 88 KING STREET, CORNER ROYAL
St. Alexandria, Virginia.

B. F. PEAKE & CO.,
(Successors to Jas. W. Nalls, Son & Co.)
DEALERS IN
DOORS, SASH, BLINDS, PAINTS, HARD-
WARE, LEADS, OILS, CEMENT,
CALCINED PLASTER, &c., &c.
No. 187 King street,
Alexandria, Virginia.
feb 2-4t

**HAIR BRUSHES, COMBS AND TOILET
ARTICLES.**
Also a full line of JEWELRY, MILLIN-
ERY ORNAMENTS AND NOTIONS.
Also THOMPSON'S GLOVE FITTING and
BEST IMPORTED CORSETS.
aug 30
FERGUSON & BRO.,
96 King street.

SOAP & SOAPSTICKS—R. T. Babitt's best, Hig-
gins' German Laundry Soap, and Mc-
Donald's best, Dobbin's Electric, Kitchen, Cry-
stal, Palm, Sunflower, and a variety of other
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Flower, Thompson's Tooth Soap, Pierce's Na-
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Durno's Catarrh Snuff and Poudre's Extract of
Wild Hazel. [oct 10] JANNY & CO.

BAKERS' OLD WHEAT FLOUR.
50 barrels CROWN JEWEL SPRING
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sep 13

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NEW SALMON and No. 1 Mackerel for
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CHILD—"Does the Lord take the papers?"
Mother—"No, my child, why do you ask?"
Child—"Oh, I thought He didn't," it takes our
minister so long to tell Him about things!"

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Both mixed and ready for use.

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PRATT'S ASTRAL OIL,
AYER'S SARSAPARILLA,
PECTORAL, &c., &c., &c.

Purchasing as we do for cash only from our
old established connections in New York and
Philadelphia, we are enabled to procure goods
of the best quality and at the lowest rates.

We will be pleased to furnish quotations at
any time.

ORDERS AND PHYSICIANS' PRE-
SCRIPTIONS receive our most careful and
prompt personal attention, and every effort is
made to maintain the high reputation of our
old establishment. sep 16-2m

W. D. HUDSON, Dealer in
DRUGS, MEDICINE,
FANCY AND TOILET ARTICLES,
PATENT MEDICINES, &c., &c.,
172 King st., cor. Washington, Alexandria, Va.
Prescriptions carefully compounded at all hours.
sep 27-1m

W. FRANKLIN CREIGHTON,
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CINES, PAINTS, OILS, DYE STUFFS,
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GUNS, CAPS, WADS, &c.—Just opened at
88 King street, Alexandria, Va., corner of
Royal, an assortment of English Twist Shot
Guns, of good quality, and at very low prices;
also a Breech Loader, with all the fixtures,
shells, &c., Musket Caps, Gun Wads, Flasks,
Pouches, Bolts, &c., to which we invite atten-
tion.
sep 22
J. T. CREIGHTON & SON.

RECEIVED THIS DAY BY STEAMER.
25 bbls No. 1 Split Labrador Herring.
25 bbls No. 3 Mackerel.
Also on hand Family Roe and No. 1 Potomac
Herring. For sale by
JOHNSON & SHERWOOD,
sep 17
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TRYSNIP'S INFALLIBLE OINTMENT
WILL CURE
ERYSIPELAS, SCROFULA,
TETTER, RING WORMS,
BARBERS' ITCH,
Or any other eruption of the skin. Just received
and for sale by
jy 19
WARFIELD & HALL.

**FOUGERA'S READY MADE MUSTARD
PLASTERS.**
Superior to common mustard plasters, always
ready for immediate use, clean and not liable to
change easily transported and pliable, so as to
be applied to all surfaces. For sale by
jy 20
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Corner Prince and Fairfax streets.

OVERCOATINGS. BEAVERS,
ELYSIUMS, MELTONS,
And other styles,
IN A VARIETY OF COLORS.
Made to order in the latest styles cheap.
oct 7
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ANOTHER LOT OF SMALL HAMS, Ma-
ryland brand, just received by
J. C. & E. MILLBURN,
sep 9
19 north Royal street.

CORN KNIVES AND CORN HOOKS,
wholesale and retail, at 83 King st., corner
of Royal. Just in season. Call and see.
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SUGARS, TEAS AND COFFEES at lowest
prices. [oct 12] J. C. & E. MILLBURN.

DRY GOODS.

ATTENTION
—TO OUR—
NEW GOODS!
—CARPETS,

in our NEW HALL, late the Assembly Rooms;
the handsomest Carpet hall in the State. A
very handsome stock of Carpets, in Brussels,
Three Ply, Ingrain, Giltings, Hemp and Stair;
also OIL CLOTHS, from 3-4 to 16-4, cut to fit
passages, rooms, &c., without extra charge.
Cocoas and Tanned Kaitan Mattings and Mats.
Rugs, different sizes and qualities.

Particular attention is called to this depart-
ment, as we have always on hand a very large
assortment of everything in this line, and as we
buy and sell very largely in it, we are enabled
to sell cheap. Among the new goods we name:
Drap d'Ete, Cretones,
Cashmeres, Henriettes Cloths,
Touilles, Alpices, &c.
LX DRESS GOODS, Crapo Velvets and Col-
lars, Single and Double Thirt Shawls, and
everything else to make this line complete.

The latest designs in Platts, Serges, Cash-
meres, Cretones, French Serges, Poplins, and
other styles, to suit the season.
BLACK SILKS especially; as low in prices
as can be bought.

One of the largest branches of our business.
In this you will find a very large and carefully
selected stock of French, English, Scotch, Ger-
man and American Cloths, Cassimeres, Tailor-
coatings, Suitings, Vestings, Trowersings, Over-
coatings, Trimmings, &c. Our Cutter has had many
years' experience as one of the first merchant
tailors in this State, and is acknowledged to
have great taste in cutting. Our Sewers are
also men of experience in their line, so that our
facilities for furnishing Suits, parts of Suits and
Overcoats are unsurpassed, and we will guaran-
tee to give satisfaction as to style, fit and price.

One of the largest stocks we have ever opened
for Ladies, Gentlemen and Children.
We would invite purchasers in our line to
give us a call. They will find all departments
full, and prices satisfactory.

Drawers, Shirts, Collars & Cuffs.
A full line always on hand or made to order
day measure. Socks, English, French and Ger-
man, Suspenders, &c.

A full line in Single and Double Wool Pais-
ley; Zephyrs, in plain and scarlet and other
colors.

D. F. WITMER CO.
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA.
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New Wood and Coal Yard.
Having leased the lots southeast corner of Duke
street and the Strand, we will hereafter keep on
hand a supply of WOOD and COAL,
which we will sell at the lowest market rates.
S. MUEL BAKER,
oct 14-1m
JOHN DUGAN.

COAL! We are now unloading from schr J. W. Hines,
a cargo of SUPERIOR WHITE ASH COAL,
which we are enabled to furnish at a greatly re-
duced price. Orders left at Grigg's Drug Store,
corner Royal and King streets, will be promptly
filled. J. T. MEHAFFEY & CO.,
ap 7
Wharf and Yards foot of Queen st.

KANAWHA SPLIT COAL.
We have just received a consignment of the
above Coal, to which we invite the attention of
consumers. It is pure and free from slate,
kinds and readily and heats quickly. Its combus-
tion is complete, leaving no cinders.
T. J. MEHAFFEY & CO.,
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Wharf and Yard foot of Queen st.

COAL! On the wharf and to arrive a full stock of all
kinds of
**ANTHRACITE AND CUMBERLAND
COAL.**
Sold at market rates per ton 2240 lbs.
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W. A. SMOOT, Smoot's wharf

COAL! We have now on hand and are constantly re-
ceiving at our wharf and storage yards, foot of
Queen street, all the best COALS known to
this market. We name in part:
LYKEN'S VALLEY,
SHAMOKIN and EAST-FRANKLIN LOR-
BERRY RED ASH,
JOHN'S, from EAGLE VEIN COLLIERY,
The celebrated CONTINENTAL and HAZ-
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timated the best in the market.
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Also, GEORGE'S CREEK CUMBERLAND
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Having ample space, each variety of Coal is
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